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**UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
WASHINGTON, DC 20549**

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**FORM 8-K**

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**CURRENT REPORT PURSUANT  
TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE  
SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934**

**Date of report (Date of earliest event reported): April 9, 2009**

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**McDONALD'S CORPORATION**

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Its Charter)

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**Delaware**  
(State or Other Jurisdiction  
of Incorporation)

**1-5231**  
(Commission  
File Number)

**36-2361282**  
(IRS Employer  
Identification No.)

**One McDonald's Plaza  
Oak Brook, Illinois**  
(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

**60523**  
(Zip Code)

**(630) 623-3000**  
(Registrant's Telephone Number, Including Area Code)

**Not Applicable**  
(Former Name or Former Address, if Changed Since Last Report)

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- ☐ Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
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  - ☐ Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))
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**Item 5.02. Departure of Directors or Certain Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Certain Officers; Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers.**

On April 9, 2009, the Board of Directors (the “Board”) of McDonald’s Corporation (the “Company”) increased the size of the Board by one to a total of 14 directors, and on the same date elected Miles D. White to the Board as a member of the class of 2010. The press release announcing the election of Mr. White to the Company’s Board of Directors is furnished as Exhibit 99 to this Form 8-K.

**Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.**

(d) *Exhibits.*

99      Press Release of McDonald’s Corporation issued April 13, 2009:  
Miles D. White Joins McDonald’s Board of Directors

## **SIGNATURES**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

McDONALD'S CORPORATION  
(Registrant)

Date: April 13, 2009

By: /s/ Denise A. Horne

Denise A. Horne  
Corporate Vice President –  
Associate General Counsel and  
Assistant Secretary

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Exhibit No. 99	Press Release of McDonald's Corporation issued April 13, 2009: Miles D. White Joins McDonald's Board of Directors
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**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

**4/13/2009**

**FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT:**

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**MILES D. WHITE JOINS MCDONALD'S BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

McDonald's Corporation today announced that Miles D. White, Chairman of the Board and Chief Executive Officer of Abbott, has been elected to McDonald's Board of Directors.

"Miles' business knowledge and his keen insights on sound governance and strategic planning make him a valuable addition to McDonald's Board of Directors," said Andrew McKenna, Chairman of the Board.

McDonald's Chief Executive Officer Jim Skinner said, "Miles is one of the most respected CEOs in America, and our Board will benefit greatly from his experience, his creative energy, and his international perspective."

White, 54, has led Abbott, the global healthcare company, since 1999. He joined Abbott in 1984. He also serves on the Board of Trustees of Northwestern University and of the Field Museum of Chicago.

McDonald's is the leading global foodservice retailer with approximately 32,000 local restaurants in more than 100 countries. More than 75% of McDonald's restaurants worldwide are owned and operated by franchisees. Please visit our website at [www.mcdonalds.com](http://www.mcdonalds.com) to learn more about the Company.

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